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BOARD ONLY

Re:

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Room 704 Washington, DC 20423-0001

> The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company Leveraged Lease Locomotive Financing

BNSF 1997-K

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, two original copies of the document described below. As one of the attorneys representing the Lessee in this transaction, I have knowledge of the matters described in this letter.

The enclosed document is as follows:

Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNSF 1997-K), dated December 19, 1997, between First Security Bank, National Association, as security trustee (the "Security Trustee" or the "Assignee"), and NBB Square Lease Co., Ltd., as lessor (the "Lessor" or the "Assignor").

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are as follows:

Security Trustee

First Security Bank, National Association,

and Assignee:

as Security Trustee 79 South Main Street

Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Lessor and

NBB Square Lease Co., Ltd.

and Assignor:

c/o Nomura Babcock & Brown Co., Ltd.

Dai-Ichi Edobashi Building 1-11-1 Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku

Tokyo 103, Japan

The description of the equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Memorandum of Lease Assignment is as set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

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A fee of twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copies of the enclosed document along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed document and return the original and any extra copies of such document and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

Karl T. Williams, Esq. Chapman and Cutler 111 West Monroe Chicago, Illinois 60603

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

MEMORANDUM OF LEASE ASSIGNMENT:

Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNSF 1997-K) between First Security Bank, National Association, as Security Trustee, 79 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, and NBB Square Lease Co., Ltd., as Lessor, c/o Nomura Babock & Brown Co., Ltd., Dai-Ichi Edobashi Building, 1-11-1 Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103, Japan, dated December 19, 1997, covering diesel electric locomotives bearing the road numbers listed in the exhibit attached thereto. This document relates to the Memorandum of Lease Agreement, dated December 19, 1997, the Memorandum of Mortgage and Security Agreement, dated December 19, 1997, the Memorandum of Mortgage Supplement No. 1, dated December 19, 1997 and the Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1, dated December 19, 1997, which were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on December ____, 1997 at ______m. under recordation numbers _____, ____ and ______, respectively, pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned (312-845-3892).

Sincerely,

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER

By Karl T. Williams
Karl T. Williams

KTW/dml Enclosure

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EXHIBIT A

UNITS

EQUIPMENT	QUANTITY	ROAD NUMBERS
General Motors Corporation (Electro-Motive Division) Model SD70M-AC Diesel Electric Locomotives	20	BNSF 9845 through BNSF 9864, inclusive
General Motors Corporation (Electro-Motive Division) Model SD75I Diesel Electric Locomotives	12	BNSF 8288 through BNSF 8290, inclusive BNSF 8292 through BNSF 8294, inclusive BNSF 8296 through BNSF 8301, inclusive

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MEMORANDUM OF LEASE ASSIGNMENTED 1 8 '97 (BNSF 1997-K)

Memorandum of Lease Assignment, made and entered into on December 19, 1997, by and between NBB Square Lease Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation ("Lessor"), and First Security Bank, National Association, a national banking association, as security trustee ("Security Trustee").

WITNESSETH:

1. The Lessor and The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company ("Lessee") have entered into that certain Lease Agreement (BNSF 1997-K) (the "Lease Agreement"), dated December 19, 1997, and Lease Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1997-K) (the "Lease Supplement") thereto, dated December 19, 1997, covering certain locomotives bearing road numbers as listed on Exhibit A attached hereto.
bearing road numbers as instead on Exhibit 11 academic noroso.
2. Memoranda of said Lease Agreement and of said Lease Supplement were
recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on December, 1997 at: p.m.
under recordation numbers and, respectively, pursuant
to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.
3. The undersigned have entered into that certain Mortgage and Security
Agreement (BNSF 1997-K) (the "Mortgage"), dated December 19, 1997, and Mortgage
Supplement No. 1 (BNSF 1997-K) (the "Mortgage Supplement") thereto, dated

December 19, 1997, pursuant to which Lessor has assigned the aforesaid Lease Agreement, the aforesaid Lease Supplement No. 1, and the rents and other proceeds therefrom (with

certain exceptions) to the Security Trustee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

NBB SQUARE LEASE CO., LTD.

Name: Christopher D. Thompson Title: Attorney-in-Fact

Executed on this 12 day of December, 1997.

FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By_____ Name: Brett R. King

Title: Assistant Vice President

Executed on this ___ day of December, 1997.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

NBB SQUARE LEASE CO., LTD.

By_______Name: Christopher D. Thompson

Title: Attorney-in-Fact

Executed on this __ day of December, 1997.

FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL

ASSOCIATION

Name: Brett R. King

Title: Assistant Vice President Executed on this 12 day of December, 1997.

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COUNTY OF	
County and State, personally appeared Chrsworn, says that he is the Attorney-in-Factinstrument was signed on December 12, 19	1997, before me, a Notary Public in and for said ristopher D. Thompson, who being by me duly at of NBB SQUARE LEASE CO., LTD., that said 1997 on behalf of said corporation by authority of the data the execution of the foregoing instrument in.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here above mentioned.	eunto set my hand and official seal on the date
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	Name: Notary Public My Commission Expires: Residing in
STATE OF)	DONNA M. McLERNON Notary Public, State of New York No. 41-4686637 Qualified in Gueens County Commission Expires 9/25/99
County and State, personally appeared Brett he is the Assistant Vice President of FIRST Staid instrument was signed on December	1997, before me, a Notary Public in and for said R. King, who being by me duly sworn, says that SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that 1997 on behalf of said association by authority owledged that the execution of the foregoing association.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here above mentioned.	eunto set my hand and official seal on the date
	Name: Notary Public My Commission Expires: Residing in

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COUNTY OF)
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On this, the __ day of December, 1997, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Christopher D. Thompson, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Attorney-in-Fact of NBB SQUARE LEASE CO., LTD., that said instrument was signed on December __, 1997 on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in

STATE OF <u>Hah</u>) SS.: COUNTY OF <u>Sult 4, Ke</u>)

On this, the 12th day of December, 1997, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Brett R. King, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Assistant Vice President of FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on December 12th, 1997 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.



Name: Janice Bryant
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in

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